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Department of Environmental Quality
Office of the Secretary
Legal Affairs Division

Control Techniques Guidelines (CTG) State Implementation Plan (SIP) (0908Pot4)

Under the authority of the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, R. S. 30:2001 et seq., the secretary gives notice that the Office of Environmental Assessment, Air Quality Assessment Division, will submit a revision to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to demonstrate specific emission reduction control strategies to bring Louisiana into compliance with the ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). The SIP revision is mandated under the requirements of the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments.

The Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 172(c)(1) provides that state implementation plans (SIPs) for nonattainment areas must include reasonably available control measures (RACM), including reasonably available control technology (RACT), for sources of emissions. CAA Section 182(b)(2)(A) provides that for certain nonattainment areas, states must revise their SIPs to include RACT for each category of volatile organic compound (VOC) source covered by a Control Techniques Guidelines (CTG) document issued between November 15, 1990, and the date of attainment. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides states with guidance concerning what types of controls could constitute RACT for a given source category through issuance of a CTG. States can follow the CTG and adopt regulations to implement the recommendations contained therein, or they can adopt alternative approaches. In either event, states must submit their RACT rules to EPA for review and approval as part of the SIP process.

A public hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. on September 24, 2009, in the Galvez Building, Oliver Pollock Conference Room, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA. Should individuals with a disability need an accommodation in order to participate, please contact Vivian H. Aucoin at (225) 219-3509 or at the address listed below. Interested persons are invited to attend and submit oral comments on the proposal.

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the CTG SIP revision no later than 4:30 p.m., September, 24, 2009, to Vivian H. Aucoin, Office of Environmental Assessment, Box 4314, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313 or to FAX (225) 219-3240 or by email to vivian.aucoin@la.gov.

A copy of the CTG SIP revision may be viewed from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the DEQ Public Records Center, Room 127, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA. The document is available on the internet at www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/default.aspx?tabid=2381.

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